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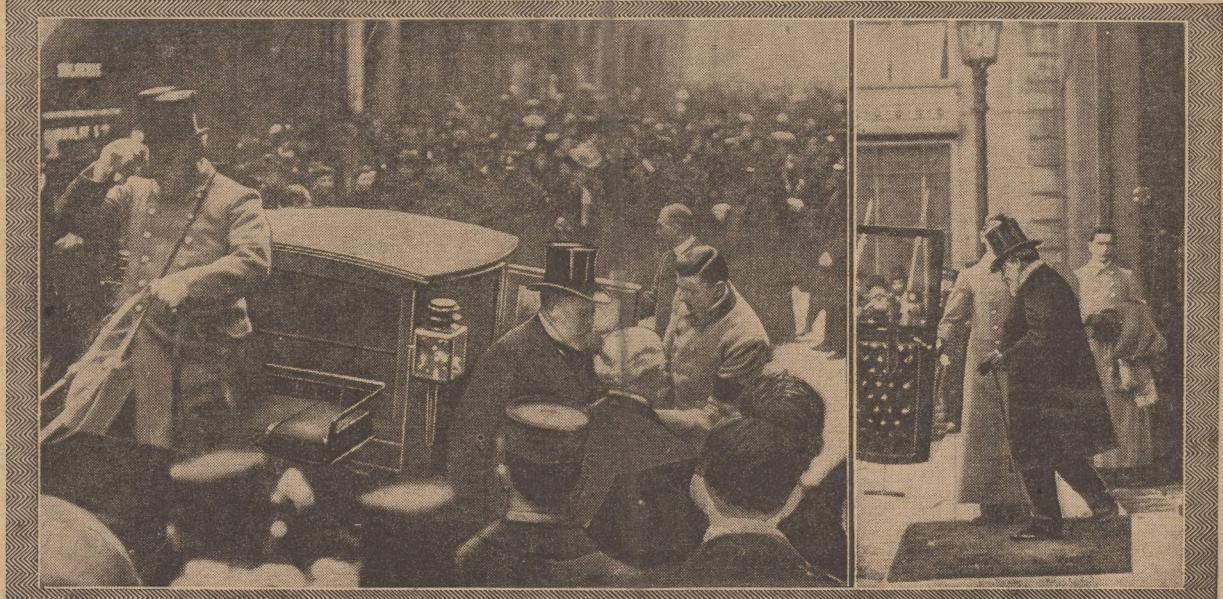
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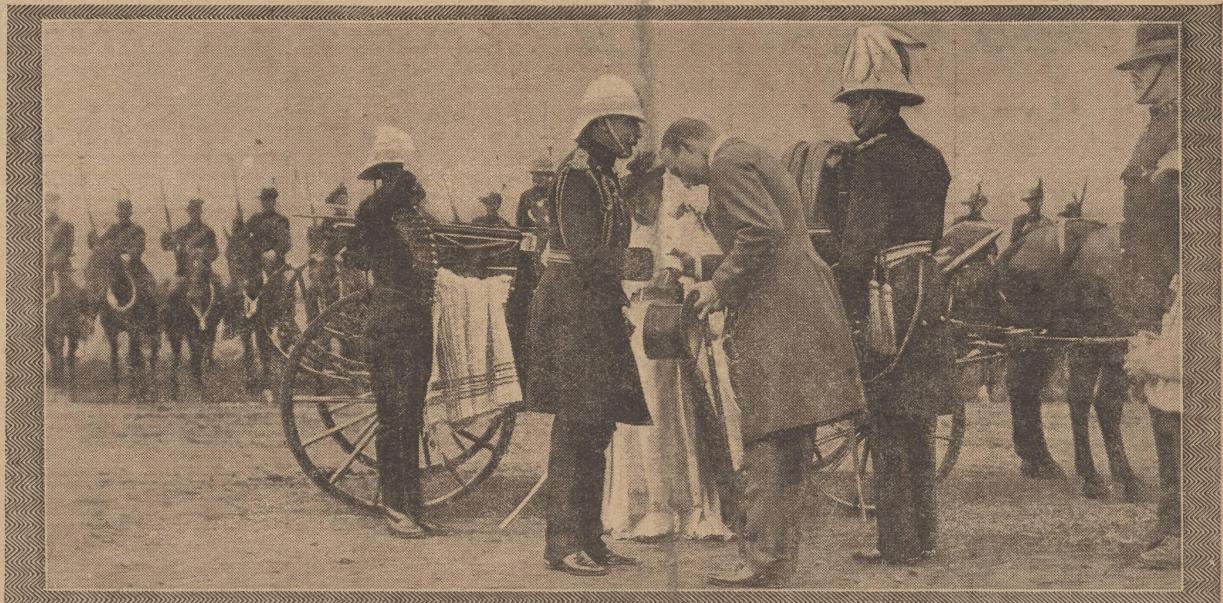
THE ENTENTE CORDIALE—KING EDWARD ON HIS HOLIDAY IN PARIS.



Although travelling incognito as the Duke of Lancaster, King Edward is everywhere in Paris received with most respectful cordiality. On the left is a snap-

shot of the King arriving at the English Church on Sunday morning. On the right the King is leaving the Elysée after his visit to President Fallières.

THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT BEING RECEIVED BY LORD SELBORNE AT PRETORIA.



During the visit of the Duke of Connaught to South Africa he has visited every district in the new Colonies. Above he is seen (wearing a helmet) with the Duchess of Connaught being received by Lord Selborne, the High Commis-

sioner (in civilian dress). On the right (wearing plumes) is General Hildyard, Commander-in-Chief of the South African Forces. The Duke's carriage was hored by an artillery gun team and a trooper of the R.H.A. is by the carriage.

WATSON'S SOAPS AND WATSON'S OFFER

Watson's Matchless Cleanser

From the variety of soaps offered her, any woman who loves a bright, attractive home may well be puzzled to know which to choose.

To-day we should like to show you three satisfactory ways out of the difficulty. The *Watson's Matchless Cleanser* way is one way; thousands of happy housewives have written to tell us they have found it an extremely good way. And why? Because you can depend on *Watson's Matchless Cleanser* doing the widest possible range of household cleaning in the best possible manner, at the lowest possible expenditure of money, energy, and time.

Nubolic

Watson's Nubolic is an absolutely pure carabolic soap made by a special process. It does all the work of any ordinary household soap, but, in addition, is a powerful disinfectant and germ-killer. *Nubolic* used in the sick-room wards off infection and prevents the spread of disease. Doctors and nurses speak of it in terms of the warmest praise.

You cannot be too careful in keeping the larder, pantry, and scullery clean and wholesome. Dirt so easily accumulates in these places. *Nubolic* finds its way into every nook

Watson's Matchless Cleanser

Take washing day. There's no need for hard, disastrous rubbing of clothes, no need for weary headache and backache, in an atmosphere of steam or unpleasant odours, no need for chapped and blistered hands. All that is changed. The *Watson's Matchless Cleanser* way is essentially the easy way:

When *Watson's Matchless Cleanser* is used your daintiest fabrics are safe against injury. The whiteness, sweetness, cleanliness of your table linen, bed linen, etc., and the brightness of your coloured things will surprise and delight you. Until you have actually tried

Nubolic

and corner, and brings scrupulous cleanliness and freshness wherever it goes.

This splendid antiseptic is the best nursery soap mothers can use, being specially adapted to the tender sensitive skin of young children. Its daily use for the toilet or bath leaves a most enjoyable feeling of freshness and vigour.

Many cases of eczema and ringworm have been absolutely cured by *Nubolic*.

Considering the havoc wrought in an average household by the entry of infectious disease, and the ease with which that disease

Watson's Matchless Cleanser

Watson's Matchless Cleanser, you can have no idea of its magical power in removing dirt. Then, again, *Watson's Matchless Cleanser* is a good, honest, solid soap that lathers freely in hot, cold, hard, or soft water, without wasting. You will find it useful in every room in the house; it will wash everything washable.

Three pence per full pound tablet is cheap for soap which has been proved again and again to go farther and give better results than double the quantity of any ordinary soap offered you. There must be good reason for the sale of these tablets being greater than

Nubolic

might have been kept away, it is astonishing that any home should allow itself to be without a suitable safeguard.

At 3d. a full pound tablet *Watson's Nubolic* is at once the cheapest and most effective form of health protection possible. *Nubolic* is also sold in tablets at 2½d. and 2d.; but be sure you obtain the genuine article. Substitutes will only disappoint you. *Nubolic* wrappers count equally with those of *Watson's Matchless Cleanser* for the prizes. Remember, even twenty of them will secure a gift.

Sparkla

Watson's Sparkla is a scouring soap and metal polish combined—without the disadvantages of metal polishes. No woman who desires brightness in her home can afford to be without this invaluable helper, 1d. per tablet.

First of all, *Sparkla* thoroughly removes all dirt and rust—few metal polishes do that effectively—and then it brings a brilliant and lasting shine. There is no metal article in your house that *Sparkla* will not quickly and easily brighten. It can be used with perfect safety, being free from any harmful ingredient.

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In the home *Sparkla* scours floors, whitens tables and shelves, quickly removing all traces of dirt. It's the ideal soap for cleaning up the office and shop, leaving paint and woodwork spotless. It brightens pots and pans, and makes steel, brass, and copper shine like new. Try *Sparkla* on your cooking utensils. It leaves them clean and free from any trace of greasiness. Motorists, machinists, etc., will find *Sparkla* excellent for removing obstinate stains from their hands. Even twenty *Sparkla* wrappers secure a prize.

Our Prizes

For many years past we have given hundreds of thousands of prizes annually to users of our soaps, and already have distributed more than a million gifts. Soon after June 30 this year we shall send out over 220,000 Gifts, worth at least £62,500.

Space does not permit of publishing all the prizes, but a complete list, together with all particulars, will gladly be sent free on application.

Commence saving your wrappers from any or all of these soaps to-day, and remember that a collection of even twenty secures you a prize.

Watson's Matchless Cleanser

that of any similar kind in the world. We want you, for your own sake, to try this soap. If your tradesman doesn't stock it, we will send you it free. Test *Watson's Matchless Cleanser* under the severest conditions, see for yourself what an absolutely reliable article it is, how much it actually does towards brightening your home and lessening your work. One trial will convince you. Then every wrapper is valuable; save them and send them to us on or before June 30. Even twenty will secure one of the 220,000 prizes in our gigantic distribution.

2lb. Free

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Whitehall Soap Works, Leeds.

I am unable to obtain *Watson's Matchless Cleanser*, *Nubolic*, and *Sparkla** at (Name and Address of your own Grocer, Oilman, or Store) ...

Please send me, therefore, 3 full-size Tablets, as per your offer, FREE.

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*Place a mark against Soaps which you cannot obtain. Write plainly and use Id. stamp.

THE KING'S QUIET DAY IN PARIS.

His Majesty Takes a Short Motor-Car Trip.

EARLIER DEPARTURE

Slightly Fatigued After Exceptionally Busy Day on Sunday.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Monday.—Not for a long time has Paris been favoured with so long a spell of sunshine as that which has accompanied the visit of King Edward to the capital. The King's stay at the Embassy has been flooded all day with the warm rays of the sun.

His Majesty disappointed the crowd of sight-seers in front of the Embassy by remaining indoors most of the day. He devoted the whole of the morning to a conversation with Sir Francis Bertie, the British Ambassador.

M. and Mme. Loubet, and M. Delcasse, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, arrived for luncheon shortly before one o'clock. Nothing could have been more cordial and gracious than the greeting which His Majesty gave to the former President of the Republic and his wife. His Majesty had a conversation with M. Loubet in the drawing-room after the luncheon.

HIS MAJESTY IN THE BOIS.

After the departure of his guests the King went in his motor-car to the Bois de Boulogne, and he appeared on his return to have much enjoyed the soft air and bright sunshine. The Bois at the time was thronged with motor-cars and carriages of all kinds.

In the evening his Majesty dined privately with M. Fallières, the President of the Republic.

During the afternoon a communication was posted up at the Embassy door to the effect that no further details of the King's movements would be issued to the Press, his Majesty wishing his visit to remain of a strictly private character.

His Majesty's departure will take place tomorrow morning at 9.45, instead of in the afternoon, as originally arranged.

His Majesty has been feeling somewhat the effects of the long and trying day he spent yesterday.

Princess Henry of Battenberg and Princess Ena left shortly after noon for San Sebastian, where King Alfonso arrived in the course of the day.

KING ALFONSO MEETS PRINCESS ENA.

BIARRITZ, Monday.—Almost immediately after arriving at Biarritz, King Alfonso set out in a motor-car for Hendaye, where he rejoined the Sud express, which he had left at San Sebastian, and travelled in it as far as Angouleme. He spent an hour at Angouleme waiting for the arrival of the Sud express from Paris, in which Princess Henry and Princess Ena of Battenberg are travelling to Biarritz.—Reuter.

SAN SEBASTIAN, Monday.—All arrangements have been made at the Miramar Palace for the ceremony of the conversion of Princess Ena of Battenberg, which will take place on Wednesday in the chapel at the Miramar Palace.

The Right Rev. R. Brindle, Roman Catholic Bishop of Nottingham, will officiate at the conversion ceremony.

It is believed that King Edward will dine at the Miramar Palace on Friday, and that King Alfonso will visit his Majesty at Biarritz.—Reuter.

THE KING'S FUTURE MOVEMENTS.

VIENNA, Monday.—A telegram from Zara states that the Governor of Dalmatia has received information that King Edward will visit Ragusa, and remain there from March 27 to April 1.—Reuter.

Queen Alexandra will leave St. Pancras this afternoon for Sandringham, where she will be in residence for several weeks.

GERMANY HESITATES.

Question of Policing Morocco To Be Discussed at the Algeciras Conference.

Yesterday's dispatches from Algeciras point to a continuation of the Conference. Although the German delegates are openly dissatisfied at the decision to consider the police question before the State Bank is disposed of, they are not likely to object to the matter being brought up.

The delegates have at no time displayed such activity as at present prevails. Visits are exchanged from time to time throughout the day, and the Hotel Reina Cristina is quite a hive of diplomatic energy.

SOBRIETY OF M.P.S.

Mr. Will Crooks Casts Aspersions on His Fellow-Members.

REVOLT OF THE LORDS.

Mr. Will Crooks, M.P., made some extraordinary statements while addressing a large gathering at a meeting of the Local Trades and Labour Council, at East Ham Town Hall.

The Labour Party, he said, were going to be the "petrol in the motor," and make things "go."

The party intended to move in the direction of altering the rules of procedure.

"Why should not Parliament start at seven in the morning and knock off at seven p.m.?"

Some members at the House talked for hours, all about nothing, and, said Mr. Crooks, "I have heard cries of 'Di-vide, di-vide,' and men have been like this." (Mr. Crooks began nodding and rolling about, saying that he had, "to our everlasting shame," often seen members like that.)

"What we want in Parliament," he added, "are steady, sober men, who know what they want and know how to get it."

Speaking of the Labour men in Parliament, Mr. Crooks caused much laughter by remarking that every one of them had been drawn in the comic papers "in a most outrageous manner."

DISCONTENT OF THE PEERS.

Lord Newton, in the Hereditary Chamber, last night bitterly complained that the House of Lords was "becoming a sort of compromise between a high-class debating society and a registry office!"

"We were practically obliged last year," he said, "to confine ourselves to purely registry work."

"But the climax was reached last session when, on the occasion of the introduction of the Aliens Bill, time was so limited before the end of the session, that the representative of the Government was actually afraid to move his own amendments! (General laughter, in which ex-Ministers blushingly joined.)

The Unemployed Bill was introduced into this House and rushed through its stages, and, if I am not mistaken, two days afterwards the House rose."

He appealed to the Government to assert the "honour and dignity of the House" in regard to the後 work.

Lord Tweedmouth smiled at Lord Newton. "The principal reason why the House of Lords has been a house of registry for the greater part of the last twenty years is," he said, "that for seventeen of those years the great majority of this House has been in sympathy with the great majority of the other House, and therefore was only too glad to pass the measures that came from it. (Ministerial titters.)

"Should there be any danger to the privileges of this House?" Lord Tweedmouth added, "we shall be only too glad to take action with a view to a proper arrangement."

ATTACK ON LORD MILNER.

The hopeful expectation is that the Government of the Transvaal will be formed in time to enable the decision of that Government to be taken on the question of Chinese labour before 1909."

This important statement was made in the House by the Earl of Elgin last night.

Amid indignant cries of "Oh!" from Conservative Peers, Lord Coleridge asserted that the "Imperialism" of noble lords opposite was limited to the production of gold in a particular country by labour under servile conditions.

Lord Coleridge turned to the cross-bench where, behind Lord Rosebery, Lord Milner was an interested listener. The noble Viscount had used the word "helot" in application to the Outlander. Well, "helot," said Lord Coleridge, according to Webster mean "slave."

Coolies were denied access to the common law, the prized possession of every British subject.

They were flogged in the compounds, and illegally flogged by the sanction of the ex-High Commissioner!

"These facts," declared Lord Coleridge, "justified anyone in describing their condition as that of semi-slaves."

PRINCE AT AN INDIAN FAMINE CAMP.

LUCKNOW, Monday.—The Prince of Wales this morning visited the famine relief camp seventy miles from Gwalior, where 6,000 persons are employed in constructing an irrigation dam.

His Royal Highness inspected the work, the bazaar, the hospital, and the huts, and made a donation sufficient to give each worker an extra day's pay.—Reuter.

ADMIRAL GRENFELL'S SUCCESSOR.

We are officially informed that Rear-Admiral Francis C. Bridgeman, M.V.O., has been appointed to succeed the late Vice-Admiral Sir Harry T. Grenfell as Rear-Admiral in the Mediterranean Fleet, to date March 6, 1906.

DANGERS FALL INTO FLAMES.

Nearly Twenty People Perish in a Dreadful Italian Disaster.

FUCECCHIO (Tuscany), Monday.—At three o'clock this morning a fire broke out in a house where a dancing-party was in progress. Starting in a stable underneath the dancing-room, which was at once filled with smoke, the flames spread with such rapidity that the floor of the room collapsed almost immediately after the discovery, precipitating the dancers into the inferno beneath. Sixteen bodies have been extricated from the debris, but it is feared that there are two other victims. The owner of the house was among those who escaped by jumping from the windows.

A child was standing on a table when the floor collapsed, and had a remarkable escape, being thrown, by the tilting of the table, on to the stairs, where he was picked up safe and sound.—Reuter.

ENGLISHWOMAN'S BODY IN A CANAL.

Few Clues To Unravel a Mystery Which the Paris Police Have in Hand.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Monday.—Some perturbation has been caused in the English colony in this city by the discovery of the body of a lady, about thirty years old, in the Marne Canal, at Charenton, near Paris.

The body, which had apparently been in the water for about three weeks, was elegantly clothed. The linen was marked "H. S.;" on the corset was the maker's name, Ethel A. Brown, of London; and the buttons of her kid gloves bore the name of "Fownes."

Gold rings, earrings, and a gold-rimmed monocle had not been taken from the body.

FOUR HOURS BURIED IN SNOW.

Well-Known Alpinist Succumbs to Injuries Sustained by Being Overwhelmed by Avalanche.

DAVOS, Monday.—Yesterday afternoon an avalanche fell from the Lacet slope of the Schwarzhorn, and swept away the Parsenn hut, built last summer for the benefit of ski runners.

M. Schlerka, of Davos, well-known Alpinist and skier, had made an excursion to the hut with two other gentlemen. The companion were drawing water from a neighbouring spring, while he was in the hut at the moment of the avalanche. M. Schlerka was buried in the debris and snow.

A relief party was sent out at once, and succeeded in extricating M. Schlerka, still alive, from the critical position in which he had been placed for four hours. M. Schlerka, however, died this afternoon from injuries to his spine.—Reuter.

ALARM ON THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

Gloomy Talk of Another "Black Friday" in the City Looming Ahead.

There is talk (says the *Daily Mirror* City correspondent) of another Black Friday on the Stock Exchange. Yesterday there was general selling. Kaffirs were being disposed of to the accompaniment of talk of houses in trouble and several prospective failures.

There is some truth running through all the romancing. Scarcely had the wreckage been cleared up of the last Settlement than it became evident that the further heavy falls in prices must mean that several other people would have to go. The banks are largely to blame. By advancing loans liberally on mining shares as security they have encouraged a good deal of concealed gambling.

MIDNIGHT TELEGRAMS.

The death is announced from Paris of Mme. Constanta, wife of the French Ambassador in Constantinople.

Only eight boats of the Norwegian fishing fleet, with twenty-five men, are now believed to have been lost in the recent hurricane.

A bomb with a fuse attached was found yesterday under the stage in the theatre at Plozk, Russia, where an electoral meeting was to be held later in the day.

The troops at Sheerness and in the Medway forts were mobilised last night, manning the shore batteries and electric-light stations and frustrating the attempt of a supposed enemy to enter Sheerness Harbour undetected.

TO-DAY'S WEATHER.

Our special weather forecast for to-day is: Fresh or strong south-westerly and westerly winds; cloudy, unsettled, and mild; rain at times.

Lightning-up time, 6.46 p.m.

Sea passages will be moderate to rather rough.

FAIR PLAY FOR HONEST ALIENS.

Mr. Gladstone Shows Up Serious Flaws in the Act.

IMBECILE GIRL'S CASE.

In the course of an interesting debate in the House of Commons last night on the working of the Aliens Act, Mr. Herbert Gladstone, the Home Secretary, announced his intention of making the following three changes in its administration:

1. To print the notice of power of appeal in every language likely to be used by immigrants.
2. To appoint Advisory Committees to assist the Immigration Boards.
3. To secure that the sittings of the Immigration Boards shall be open to the Press.

Every sort of anomaly has, declared the Home Secretary, arisen under the Act.

He instanced the case of the French onion-sellers—a quiet and well-behaved body of men who sold a desired article of food to our poor people.

RID THE COUNTRY OF PESTS.

Some of them were sent back, but, being a tremulously anxious not to give unnecessary trouble to our French neighbours, he had given instructions to Consuls in Normandy to make known the provisions of the Act to these men, so that they might take advantage of the many loopholes—(laughter)—or opportunities of pursuing their occupation.

He mentioned the case of a deaf-and-dumb man who had to be admitted because no one could discover whether he was a criminal or an alien.

An idiot girl, nine years old, was rejected and sent back alone. (Cries of "Shame!") The girl, however, returned to this country as a first-class passenger.

"The same as the criminals do!" exclaimed a member.

So far as the criminal side of the Act is concerned, the Home Secretary stated that there is reason for satisfaction, as by its means we have already rid the country of many notorious pests.

The Home Secretary's admission was warmly cheered by the Opposition.

ALIENS' RETURN TICKETS.

How the undesirable alien is to be deported has at last been decided by the Home Office. Scotland Yard has received instructions as to the way several men are to be expelled from British shores within the next few days.

A certain time must necessarily elapse between the application of a magistrate for an expulsion order against any alien, charged before him, whom he may consider undesirable, and the granting and carrying out of it.

During that time, the alien, if not sentenced to imprisonment, may be released on bail, or committed to the custody of the prison to which prisoners are usually sent by the Court before which he is tried.

Then a police-sergeant will escort him on board an outward-bound vessel, pay his passage, and watch him clear of the British shores.

All this, of course, imposes a burden on the British taxpayer. According to the Civil Service Estimates issued yesterday, £1,000 is to be provided for the expenses incidental to this procedure. The working of the Aliens Act, it is estimated, will cost the Home Office about £15,000.

AGITATION AGAINST THE ACT.

Sir W. Evans Gordon, M.P., writing to express the hope that the public will suspend its judgment on the facts alleged in support of the agitation against the Aliens Act, says that glaring "terminological inexactitudes" are told to appeal to the sentiment and arouse the prejudice of the unwary.

"In the single case, that of Alexander Onix, which has hitherto been the subject of a question in Parliament, it was found," he says, "that every point in the allegations as to cruelty, hardships, etc., was a fabrication."

THE PREMIER'S RETURN.

The Prime Minister returned to his post in the House of Commons yesterday, and smilingly took his seat on the front bench, between Mr. John Morley and Mr. E. Robertson, the Secretary to the Admiralty. Sir Henry looked in excellent health and spirits.

He chatted heartily with Mr. Morley, who appeared genuinely amused at some joke the Premier was whispering in his ear.

Neither Mr. Balfour nor Mr. Chamberlain has yet returned to Westminster, and the Premier announced that as both gentlemen would be unable to be in their places on Thursday the great fiscal debate would be further postponed till Monday next.

Mr. Balfour left London yesterday for a week's holiday at Brighton.

"COMPOUNDS" FOR VAGRANTS.

How Britain May Deal with Its Mighty Host of Loafers.

CONTROL BY POLICE.

Vagrancy as a profession is doomed. The tramp, like the much-discussed Chinese coolie in South Africa, is threatened with the prospect of a "compound," in which—hideous fate—he will be made to work.

If the recommendations of the Departmental Committee, published yesterday, be adopted—and there is good reason to believe that at least a large proportion of them will—the stalwart vagabond who infests the highways and whines at back doors in towns and cities will be taught the virtues of work at labour colonies, and the honest workman, whom misfortune has temporarily caused to go "on tramp," will be aided in his search for employment. Everybody agrees that it is time vagrants were dealt with. Their numbers, it is estimated, have increased by about 20,000 since 1904, when a census showed there were 75,000 of them.

Menu at Labour Colonies.

The remedy, says the committee, is to put the vagrant under the control of the police. Let them have charge of casual wards, and give the magistrates power to send the habitual vagrant to a labour colony for from six months to three years.

Labour colonies—established by county councils and boroughs—are, in fact, the feature of the scheme. They would bear considerable resemblance to the South African compounds, about so much has been heard in the last year.

Certainly, they would not become popular institutions—with the vagrant. Subsistence dietary, costing 1s. 4d. a head a week, would be provided under:

BREAKFAST AND SUPPER—
Bread, 8oz.; cocoa (made with cocoa husk), 1 pint.
Dinner for two, 1s. 6d.
Two days—Bread, 8oz.; pea (or lentil) soup, 1 pint.
Two days—Bread, 6oz.; cheese, 2oz.; potatoes (cooked), 6oz.
Three days—Bread, 2oz.; broth, 1 pint; stew pudding, 12oz.
One day—Bread, 8oz.; stew, 1 pint.
Salt for table: 1oz. per five men daily.

On a colony the vagrant would not have to do agricultural work only, for that might not pay, and might be interrupted by inclement weather. So one colony would be encouraged to supply the other with goods which it was specially fitted to produce, and the vagrant would be provided with more or less congenial occupation in making straw cases for wine bottles, assorting rags and paper, reclaiming land, etc.

Case of Women and Children.

But the vagrant would also be viewed as a possible citizen of the future. He would have power to earn small sums, and might, by good behaviour, obtain an early release from the colony—or compound.

One recommendation the country would be glad to see adopted is that women should not be allowed to tramp about with the men. They and the children should be placed, not in the casual ward, but in the workhouse, and the husband compelled to pay for them.

A pleasing feature is the solicitude shown by the committee for the genuine worker tramping about in search of employment.

To him, it is recommended, the police should grant a way-ticket, giving his personal description, his usual trade, his reason for wanting to travel, and his proposed destination, and containing his signature and, where his finger-prints for the purpose of testing identity. It should be in the form of a book, with spaces on which should be stamped the name of each casual ward visited.

No Detention for Out-of-Works.

"With this book," say the committee, "the man would go to the casual ward and be entitled to a night's lodging, supper, and breakfast, and, after performing two hours' work to help to pay for his food and lodging, he should be free to leave."

"The name of the next ward on the direct line of his route should be entered in the book, and if he arrived at that place he should be treated in the same manner."

"For him there should practically be no detention, and he should generally have better treatment and accommodation than the ordinary vagrants and be kept as far as possible apart from them. And it should be open to him to remain at the ward for another night if he desires a rest on his journey."

LORD ASHBURTON'S SISTER MARRIED.

There was a brilliant scene at the Guards' Chapel, Wellington Barracks, yesterday, when Major Frederick Loch Adam, M.V.O., of the Scots Guards, brother and heir presumptive to Sir Charles Elphinstone Adam, Bart., was married to Hon. Lilian Baring, only sister of Lord Ashburton (whose romantic marriage took place the other day in Paris).

The jewellery presented to the bride is worth more than £20,000.

ZULU CHIEF SUBMITS.

Rebellious Natives Awed by the Roar of the Big Guns.

Sudden and effective steps have been taken to subdue the threatened native rising in Natal.

Gobizimbe, the Zulu chief who harboured the natives refusing to pay their poll-tax, has been taught a lesson he is not likely to forget in his lifetime.

Colonel Leuchars, at the head of a body of police, supported by five squadrons of mounted infantry, yesterday surrounded his kraal and made him prisoner. Having cleared the kraal of its native inhabitants, Colonel Leuchars then shelled it. The effect was exactly what was hoped and anticipated.

Forty of Gobizimbe's headmen, stunned by the roar of the artillery and the destruction of the bursting shells, came in to the camp and fearfully tendered their submission.

The astrewnative nation asked of the magistrate, says Reuter, the reason why their village was sealed.

The answer was one they could well understand and appreciate. The guns, they were told, paid the voice of the supreme chief, angry at their rebellious conduct.

DEATH OF MR. F. J. HORNIMAN.

Famous Tea Merchant, Traveller, Founder of Museums, and Member of Parliament.

Mr. F. J. Horniman, formerly M.P. for Falmouth, died yesterday in London.

Mr. Horniman will be chiefly remembered by his gift of the Horniman Museum, Forest Hill, to the County Council, in trust for the general public. It is the result of his collection of curiosities from all parts of the world during a life of which every



MR. F. J. HORNIMAN.

(Elliott and Fry.)

FREE MEALS.

L.C.C. Experiment That Has Raised Trouble in the Schools.

SOCIALISM IN PRACTICE.

The aspect of the education question that chiefly interests the public of all sections to-day relates to the proposal to institute free meals in schools for underprivileged children.

On every hand the proposition is debated: Where will such Socialistic legislation end, and what is the logical conclusion?

Will free meals have a pauperising effect? is another query that arises in many minds.

As affording something of an answer to this apprehension, may be cited the L.C.C. school in Columbia-road, Bethnal Green.

This is one of the first schools where, in October last, the experiment was started of providing a number of poorly-fed children with a good meal each for the small sum of 1d.

The food consisted of beef, potatoes, sprouts, bread, rice, and jam, and it was all cooked by the girls themselves.

Fifty poorly-clad children were selected—twenty boys, twenty girls, and ten infants—and for some time the small charge of 1d. was regularly paid by all the cheap feeders, for the Bethnal Green mothers were naturally only too glad to know that for three halfpence their offspring could be regularly given a much better meal than they could afford to give to them at home.

MOTHERS OBJECT TO PAY.

But, after a while, certain of the poorer children could not produce the money, and an exception was made in their favour, and they each received a free meal.

That was the beginning of it. The mothers of the children who paid failed to see why they should pay for their children's meals if other children had their food for nothing. So there gradually arose a disinclination to pay, and, as no attempt was made to enforce payment, this disinclination has grown steadily.

On Saturday only six girls out of twenty paid anything for their Monday meal, and yesterday only four paid for their meal to-day.

Yesterday the free-meal idea was introduced at the Council's Mowlem-street Schools, near Cambridge Heath.

FLORAL HERALDS OF SPRING.

Welcome Pioneers of Summer Days and Rural Delights Appear on the London Streets.

Cuckoo-flowers, which were being sold at 1d. a bunch, brought a breath of spring into Fleet-street yesterday morning, and City men hurrying down to their business stopped to buy the dainty little mauve blossoms, as the next best thing to picking them in the country lanes. Primroses are coming in from the country in large quantities.

The wild anemone has also appeared in Covent Garden, but it is such a fragile little flower that it dies almost as soon as it is gathered from its mossy bed, so it is seldom to be bought in the streets.

The yellow crocuses in the parks are already suffering from the attacks of the sparrows, though the white and purple ones are untouched. The reason why the sparrow picks out the yellow blooms is a problem still to be solved.

FRIGHTENED CIGARETTE GIRLS.

Greek Workmen Strike Against Wearing the National Costume of Turkey.

A remarkable feud has broken out in Notara's cigarette establishment in Piccadilly. Twenty cigarette-rolling Greeks have gone on strike, refusing to wear the Turkish costumes and fez provided.

Special police from Vine-street guard the door to protect from assault the young girls who have taken their places.

"I am determined to protect these girls," said Mr. A. Hayward, the manager, to the *Daily Mirror* yesterday, "as I do not intend to enter into negotiation again with the Greeks."

"MAN OF RELIGION" AS A BIGAMIST.

A hypocrite of the worst type—John Freeman, a gardener, of Ilford—was sentenced to five years' penal servitude yesterday at the Old Bailey for bigamy.

He used to attend a chapel, and preach and pray at open-air meetings, but yesterday's evidence showed that he had ruined the lives of several women.

Mr. Herbert Gladstone, replying to Mr. P. W. Wilson on the subject of William James Rolls, undergoing five years' penal servitude for perjury as a policeman, said the Lord Chief Justice had gone through all the papers and had decided that the conviction was just.

WOMEN AS FARMERS.

Five Clever Sisters Who Successfully Till the Soil and Rear Cattle.

Five sisters named Scott, the youngest of whom is only fifteen and the eldest under thirty, work and manage Brockwell Farm, in Buckinghamshire, a few miles from Tring, in Hertfordshire, entirely by themselves.

With the exception of a young brother, no member of the male sex has been employed on Brockwell Farm since these five plucky sisters took its responsibility upon themselves at their father's death seven years ago.

"When our father died," one of the Misses Scott told the *Daily Mirror*, "we were faced with the alternative of selling up, and taking governesses' positions, or of running the farm by ourselves. As our mother is an invalid, we decided on the latter course, and we have never regretted it."

"We pride ourselves that we work as hard as any men," she laughingly continued. "We are nearly always at work by five in the morning; and, in fact, at this time of the year, when we are ploughing, we are always on the land before the labourers in the neighbouring farms."

The sisters divide the work between them. Miss Winnie is the dairymaid, and has already won fifteen prizes at the Agricultural Hall. She is also the champion 'ploughboy,' and she thinks nothing of spending a day in the fields at this difficult occupation.

Mabel is the gardener, and, as she is devoted to animals, she takes charge of the stable; while Daisy has the five cows under her special control.

The Misses Scott have all had excellent educations, and are very musical. Between them they play the piano, mandoline, banjo, and flute, and many a little concert they hold in the evenings after a hard day's work in the fields.

TEA WORSE THAN BEER.

Well-known Lancashire Doctor Advises Teetotalers To Discard the Former Beverage.

Dr. Rigby, the leading medical practitioner of Preston, says he firmly believes moderate and reasonable use of beer as a beverage is more beneficial and less harmful than the use of tea.

Immoderate tea-drinking, he avers, causes more pain, suffering, ill-health, and nervous breakdown than the excessive consumption of beer.

If a man drank excessively of beer its effects were gross and perceptible. In the case of tea the effects, though equally and perhaps even more deadly, were insidious.

GUINEAS FOR "SNAPSHOTS."

Volunteer's Clever Picture To-day's Selection from the Large Number Sent In.

Photography seems to be the favourite hobby of soldiers. A large proportion of the "snapshots" sent in connection with the *Daily Mirror* photographic competition bear the names of officers and privates, and at least four of the photographs accepted during the past fortnight have been taken by soldiers.

The amateur photograph which appears on page 9 this morning is the work of a Volunteer. It represents a field observatory, 100ft. high, being raised by Volunteer engineers at Clacton-on-Sea, and is the work of Sergeant H. L. Caulfe, of the 1st Middlesex Royal Engineers (Volunteers).

To-day we shall count the coupons on which readers have voted for the photographs which they consider most deserving of our weekly prize of two guineas, and to-morrow the result will be published.

The rules of the competition are as follows:

For every photograph used we shall pay 10s. 6d. and, in addition, a prize of £2 2s. will be awarded every week to the person sending in the photograph which our readers consider the best.

Each reader may send in as many votes as he likes. All votes for this week must reach us on or before the first post Tuesday, the 13th inst.

D.M. PHOTOGRAPH COMPETITION.

I vote for the photograph numbered considering it the best amateur photograph published in the "Daily Mirror" during the week ending March 10, 1905.

Voter's Name

Address

No negatives should be sent in. Only prints will be accepted.

Each photograph should bear upon the back the competitor's name and address and the word "Competition," and be enclosed in an envelope marked "Photograph Competition."

Please stamp and address envelope myself and send it to the editor, who is responsible for the loss of photographs.

In order to simplify our system of book-keeping we shall expect payment in money on the application of the competitor, who must cut his picture out of the *Daily Mirror*, and send it in with his request for payment.

"GHOST" AT WINDSOR CASTLE.

Sentry Fires Five Bullets "Through" a Spectral Visitant.

STONE ELEPHANT CHIPPED

How a sentry on duty at Windsor Castle thought he saw a ghost and fired several shots at it, chipping a stone elephant with his bullets, was revealed at a military inquiry at the royal borough yesterday.

It was a story worthy of the Castle's supernatural reputation. But for the injury to the elephant the sentry's experiences would probably have gone down to future generations as a legend as thrilling as that of Herne the Hunter.

The man belonged to the 2nd Coldstream Guards, and declares that whilst on sentry-go on the historic East Terrace, on Saturday night, he saw the figure of a "ghost" glide up the steps of the East Terrace.

Bullets Went Clean Through.

"I challenged it," says the private, "and it made no reply. The thing came to a standstill only a few yards from me, and I fired, but, apparently, the first shot made no impression, so I fired the other four."

"The bullets must have gone clean through the ghost, but they left it unharmed, and then it disappeared."

In the meantime the sentry's comrade heard the shots and hastened to his friend's assistance. He found him absolutely dazed, and in a condition that indicated a most unusual fright.

The scared man related his story, but the second sentry could not find any trace of the ghost, the assumption being that having had five shots fired at it the apparition had discreetly retired, after an adventure sufficiently full of interest and incident.

The Castle guard was then called out, and to the officer in command the exciting story was retold. The sentry reported that he had seen "a man with piercing eyes and long flowing robes," and he is certainly not the only man who avers that he has encountered similar supernatural manifestations.

His commanding officer, however, took an unsympathetic view. When the man, whose name is Bentley, was brought before Major Lamont at the Victoria Barracks he was charged with "firing without sufficient cause."

Bentley stoutly defended himself. "I gave the challenge 'Halt!' and 'Who goes there?'" said the accused private. "On receiving no answer I had to use my rifle."

Under the King's Apartments.

After the major had carefully considered the case Bentley was sentenced to three days' confinement to barracks.

The *Daily Mirror* saw the adjutant on the matter yesterday, but he was very reticent. He says he thinks the man was suffering from hallucinations, and that there was no human figure on the terrace at all. The firing took place under the windows of the King's apartments.

The *Daily Mirror* reminded the adjutant that an officer of the Guards had stated that he saw a ghost of Queen Elizabeth in the Royal Library at the Castle a few years ago, and that the affair created much sensation throughout the country. He said that he had not heard of it before, and laughted at the idea.

Bentley, for whom some sympathy is felt, comes from Leicestershire, and is a steady, sober man. There are five marks on one of the ornamental elephants at the entrance to the beautiful sunken gardens, and it is thought that Bentley must have mistaken the elephant for a man in the dim light of early dawn. The elephant is chipped, and that probably is the explanation of this remarkable story.

Previous Ghostly Visitants.

Windsor Castle has an almost unparalleled reputation for ghosts. Report hath it that it is subject to the uncanny visitations of several of England's sovereigns, including Queen Elizabeth, Henry VIII., Charles I., and all the Georges.

Sir Richard Holme, the well-known librarian at the Castle, once investigated the statement of an officer of the Foot-guards who alleged that he saw the ghost of Queen Elizabeth glide across the floor of the library.

A servant, also, recently became upset and very ill because she had seen a ghost, she said, in St. John's Tower. But, on the other hand, an old night-watchman at the Castle declares that he has never seen a ghost of any description during half a century's service at Windsor—not even Queen Elizabeth.

MOTOR-CAR STOPS THE TELEPHONE.

Telephone communication to the north was delayed yesterday by a motor-car, which crashed into and broke down a telephone standard at Burton-on-Trent.

The motor-car contained Mr. Burton, a well-known manufacturer of Preston, and the steering gear broke down, making it unmanageable. No one was hurt, but the motor-car was smashed.

CHARGE AGAINST A MONK.

Bretton Lay Brother Committed for Trial by Devonshire Magistrates.

A monk named Joseph Gulers, a brother at the new Franciscan Monastery at Woodleigh, Devonshire, has been arrested on a grave charge, and yesterday he was brought before the magistrates at Kingsbridge.

The prosecution has reference to a girl of nineteen named Bessie Kelland, belonging to the village of Woodleigh. She stated in evidence that on Sunday afternoon she went for a walk, and met Gulers, who invited her to go into the monastery. She refused, and walked on. Gulers, she said, ran after her and smacked her face. He then carried her into a field, thrust his fingers into her mouth, and broke off a tooth.

After a struggle the girl freed herself, and Gulers ran into the monastery, while she was taken home by a man and woman whom she met. She alleged that Gulers had scratched her face, and that she had lost her hat in the struggle.

A carrier named Moore said he and his wife met the girl running towards them and screaming out "Mother" and "Father."

She said one of the monks had tried to kill her. She was without a hat, and her dress and jacket were covered with mud.

Police-Constable Rowland said the prisoner, in reply to the charge, had admitted assaulting the girl, and on this evidence he was committed for trial. He protested through an interpreter that the girl's evidence was not according to the truth.

Gulers is a native of Brittany, and came over as a lay brother on probation when the monks settled at Woodleigh last October.

INFANT CAUSES ANOTHER'S DEATH.

Little Three-Year-Old Girl Admits Drowning Her Baby Sister in a Tub.

"I put Dolly in the water. Dolly dead. Buy another Dolly."

This statement was made by the three-year-old daughter of Mrs. Branch, of Nyanga-street, Plumstead, to her mother. It was only too true; she had drowned her baby sister.

The victim was the six-weeks-old child of Mrs. Branch, who told the Woolwich coroner that on Friday afternoon she left her infant in the kitchen with the older child.

The latter came to her and remarked: "Sorry, mamma." As the little girl was in the habit of making this remark when she had done anything wrong, the mother did not pay any particular heed, but when she added that Dolly was dead, the mother went to the kitchen, and found the infant drowned in a tub. The jury returned a verdict of Death by Misadventure.

PROFITS OF MOTOR-OMNIBUSES.

Three Hundred New Vehicles on London Streets Likely To Make a Profit of £100,000 a Year.

Mr. Samuel Wheeler, chairman of the Motor Omnibus Company, at the statutory meeting yesterday gave some interesting details as to the new industry.

He explained that the cost of a motor-omnibus complete was anything between £800 and £1,000. It was generally recognised that the average run of a motor-omnibus per day in London was 110 miles, and the profit, after making all allowances, had been given at twopence per mile.

The financial results, therefore, of running 300 motor-omnibuses 110 miles per day at twopence per mile would be a total profit of about £100,000 per annum.

The departure of the venerable vehicle, the horse omnibus, would undoubtedly improve the sanitary condition of the streets, and allow traffic to be conducted with greater ease. There were now 300 motor and 4,000 horse omnibuses in London.

"FRESH AIR" MAGISTRATE.

Mr. Fortham Advocates Country Walks for Youths in Preference to Card-playing in Alleys.

Some good advice was given by Mr. Fortham, at the North London Police Court yesterday, to several lads charged with card-playing in by-stands in his district on Sunday.

Commenting on the pale faces of the boys, Mr. Fortham observed that Sunday was an exceptionally fine springlike day, and it would have done these lads much more good to have taken a walk in Epping Forest, amid the woodland scenery, than to have moped about the courts and alleys playing cards.

A sharp walk in the country, breathing fresh air, and a good night's rest, put a youth in condition to face a week's work.

Mr. Oswald Howell, a retired accountant, drowned himself in a water-butt in his back garden at Witham on Sunday. When his wife returned from church she found his dead body, his head kept down by an iron scraper tied round his neck.

THE HIRE SYSTEM.

Landladies' Singular Suit Against a London Firm.

ARMY OF VANS.

A couple of years ago there was an unusually animated scene in the Grand Parade, Eastbourne.

According to a statement made by Mr. Montagu Lush, K.C., yesterday in the King's Bench Division this is what happened.

A long procession of vans that had come from the furniture emporium of Messrs. Oetzmann and Co., in the Hampstead-road, London, drew up. From the vans issued a number of furniture men who entered in succession Nos. 26, 27, 28, 34, and 47, Grand-parade. The men proceeded to strip these houses, which were of the elite of the boarding-houses of Eastbourne, of all their furniture. The invaders, according to Mr. Lush, swept away the gloves of lady boarders that were lying in the halls and they took down the chandeliers.

The lady boarders had, so Mr. Lush said, hastily to remove themselves and their personal effects to other quarters.

Strange Allegations.

In one of the houses, counsel proceeded, an old lady was locked in the kitchen while the work of removal went on, and female friends of the removal men were invited to play on the grand pianos, and to inspect the stock of feminine attire.

The then landladies of the five Eastbourne houses were two sisters, Miss Ellen Jewell and Miss Annie Jewell. Yesterday, before Mr. Justice Bucknell and a special jury, the sisters were plaintiffs in an action against Messrs. Oetzmann, claiming damages for trespass, and asking that a judgment re the furniture should be set aside.

Messrs. Oetzmann said that what they had done was according to agreement.

Into the history of a series of agreements Mr. Lush entered at length, and in describing them used very strong terms. The effect of some of the documents, he said, was fraudulent. About one of the documents he declared that he could not find words suitable to indicate its nature.

When the sisters, bringing £1,000 worth of their own furniture from Ilfracombe, where they had already been in business as landladies, came to Eastbourne they received a visit from a Mr. Pearl, an agent of Messrs. Oetzmann.

The Agreements.

Persuaded by this gentleman, Mr. Lush's account ran, they proceeded to lease the premises next door, which they furnished from Oetzmann's. There was an agreement on a hire-purchase system, under which the furniture became forfeit if the agreed payments were not kept up. Then, in succession, they took three other houses on the Grand-parade, and entering on a hire-purchase agreement.

But instead, said Mr. Lush, of each agreement being independent thus allowing the ladies to get complete possession of the furniture with which it dealt directly full payment was made. Messrs. Oetzmann bargained that they could take back all the furniture if default was made in the conditions of each agreement, as it was successively signed.

In all the agreements dealing with large sums there was a clause that the furniture should be liable to forfeiture if there was failure to pay an instalment due.

Getting into arrears with the instalments, the ladies disposed of their Ilfracombe furniture to Messrs. Oetzmann, which was left with them at Eastbourne on the hire purchase system.

Liability to Forfeiture.

Other allegations made by Mr. Lush were that—Messrs. Oetzmann charged 7½ per cent. interest, not only on arrears, as bargained, but on all the instalments that were due in the future;

That Mr. Pearl borrowed £30 from the ladies, and paid the debt in kind, viz., feathers, furs, and underwear;

That there was a clause in each agreement that there should be liability to forfeiture if the ladies could not produce their current receipts for rent.

It was their failure to do this latter at short notice, added Mr. Lush, that supplied the furniture company with its excuse for taking everything away, including the Ilfracombe furniture.

Giving evidence, Miss Ellen Jewell said that Messrs. Oetzmann had from her hire purchase payments to the amount of £3,000, and her own furniture to the value of £2,000, in addition to taking back the hire purchase furniture.

The hearing was adjourned.

BRIGHTON THANKS MR. BARRASFORD.

Subscribed for by the corporation and townspeople of Brighton, an illuminated address will today be presented to Mr. and Mrs. Barrasford, proprietors of the Brighton Hippodrome and the London Lyceum, in recognition of their help to the police fund for clothing for Brighton poor children.

Last year Mr. and Mrs. Barrasford lent the Brighton Hippodrome to the corporation police for a charity entertainment, and are again doing so to-day.

LADIES AND "SMOKERS."

No Law Which Empowers Occupants To Order Women To Leave.

Considerable interest has been aroused by the statement made by a solicitor of the London and North-Western Railway that "ladies may be ordered out of smoking-carcriages."

There is no law, said an eminent London barrister yesterday, which forbids ladies entering smoking-carriages and empowers smokers to order them to leave.

The case arose out of a passenger being summoned for smoking in a non-smoking compartment, and the magistrate asked if the by-laws did not prohibit ladies from travelling in smoking carriages.

Though ladies may enter these compartments it is illegal for men to enter those marked "Ladies." The law reads that "no male above the age of eight is permitted to occupy a compartment reserved for females."

Every railway company, with the exception of the Metropolitan and District, which has special dispensation from the Board of Trade, is bound to supply smoking compartments.

It is an offence to smoke in other carriages, but the law is seldom rigorously applied by English companies, unless at the instance of a passenger annoyed by the offence.

IMPORTANT CLAIM AGAINST A DOCTOR.

Auctioneer Says Medical Attendant Conveyed Scarlet Fever to His Wife's Sick-Room.

Further evidence was given in the King's Bench Division yesterday in the action of Mr. William Fletcher Crier and his wife, of the Rectory, Greenford, Ealing, against Drs. Hope and Currie, practising in partnership at Hanwell.

Mr. Crier, who is an auctioneer, alleges that when Dr. Currie was attending his wife she contracted scarlet fever from him.

When the fever developed, it was urged on behalf of the plaintiffs, Dr. Currie was asked if he had been attending fever cases prior to attending Mrs. Currie. This he denied, but it was subsequently stated that he had been in a house where there was a case of fever on the day he attended Mrs. Crier.

On behalf of the plaintiff, Dr. Charles Ernest Godden, of Wembley, Middlesex, said that after attending an infectious case he always had a bath and had a thorough course of disinfection. The case was adjourned.

SACCO'S RAPID RECOVERY.

Fasting Man Quickly Fats On Flesh After His Forty-five Days' Abstinence from Food.

Herr Sacco, the well-known fasting man, yesterday afternoon held a reception at Hengler's Italian Circus, in the little oblong house in which he completed his record fast of forty-five days.

Save that the window frame from which he issued on Saturday afternoon is still empty of glass, the room is in precisely the same condition as during his tenancy.

He looks extremely well, and has already banished from his appearance the heavy marks of hunger and fatigue so obvious on Saturday. His complexion is normal, and his face and hands are already growing plump again. He hopes shortly to recover his normal weight of 14st. 2lb.

"HIS FIRST MISTAKE."

Young Man's Appeal When Charged with Stealing Pension Cheques of Aged Thames Watermen.

"The facts are peculiar, and the accused's conduct somewhat inexplicable," observed Mr. Musket at West London Police Court yesterday.

Counsel was prosecuting James McIntosh, a clother's assistant, of Hammersmith, who was remanded on a charge of stealing two cheques, value £5, belonging to the Worshipful Company of Fishmongers.

The Fishmongers' Company, said Mr. Musket, had forwarded the cheques to one of their beneficiaries—an aged, invalidised Thames waterman, named Thomas Giles.

Giles lived in the same road as McIntosh, and the cheques were delivered at McIntosh's address.

He retained them, cashed one, and was arrested when he attempted to negotiate the other. To the police he pleaded: "It is the first mistake I have ever made."

FACTORY GIRLS ON STRIKE.

Thousands of girls were walking about the streets of Dundee yesterday at a time when they ought, in ordinary circumstances, to have been at work. They were factory girls on strike, causing a deadlock in the jute industry.

The employers had threatened a "lock-out," but the factory girls decided not to wait for the notice,

"DAILY MIRROR"

TRIP TO PARIS.

Splendid Football Match, Carnival, and Plenty of Sight-Seeing.

RECORD ENTERPRISE.

The people who take advantage of the *Daily Mirror* £3 trip to Paris on March 21 will not only be able to take part in the world-famous Mi-Carême Carnival. They will have an opportunity of seeing one of the most interesting Rugby football matches that have ever been played.

For the first time in history a team representing the whole of France will enter the field to oppose a team sent across the Channel specially by the English Rugby Union, and representing the strength of the entire country.

A few years ago French athletes were laughed at. The idea of a Frenchman playing football was merely a subject for music-hall jokes. Now, however, the Frenchmen are a tough nut to crack.

They play a good, hard game, and, although they have a good deal to learn in the matter of strategy, the earnestness and vigour of their attack make them a most formidable side. They are so clever, indeed, that when they played New Zealand in the Parc des Princes enclosure they scored no fewer than eight points.

Growth of the Entente.

France is beginning to cheer the English team already. The entente cordiale has already invaded the world of diplomacy; it has made English audiences rise with enthusiasm at the appearance of notable French actors and actresses; its influence has caused fraternising French sailors to laugh at English jokes, although they could not understand them; and it has encouraged Sir Edwin Cornwall to kiss a market girl in full view of his colleagues.

Now it is going to make French and English meet in friendly rivalry not many miles from the fields on which they once fought as deadly foes.

By taking advantage of the *Daily Mirror* scheme readers will be able to share in the rejoicings which will take place in Paris, never mind which side wins.

Record Cheap Trip.

By making special arrangements with the South-Eastern Railway Company, and thus reducing the cost to nearly half, the *Daily Mirror* is only charging £3 for a second-class ticket from London to Paris, and for two days' accommodation at a really good hotel! As many readers may wish to travel first-class, we shall also issue first-class tickets for £4 5s. For this sum the best possible accommodation will be provided.

All the tickets will be available for a fortnight, so that those who desire to do so may stay for eleven days longer without extra charge for travelling.

The programme of the visit is as follows:-

WEDNESDAY, March 21.

Leave London 2.20 p.m.

Arrive Paris 10.15 p.m.

THURSDAY, March 22.

McCarême Carnival.

Sight-seeing in Paris.

Rugby match between England and France.

FRIDAY, March 23.

Sight-seeing all day.

Leave Paris 8.40 p.m.

Arrive London 5.32 a.m. next morning.

As there will doubtless be a demand for many more tickets than we can issue, readers wishing to take part in the excursion should send in their names at once. Applications for tickets, which must in every case be accompanied by a crossed cheque or postal order for the amount of the fare, should be addressed to—

The Manager,

"Daily Mirror,"

12, Whitefriars-street, E.C.

Tickets will be allotted, of course, according to priority of application.

EDITOR'S APOLOGY ACCEPTED.

Any Imputation on Lord Justice Fletcher Moulton
Unreservedly Withdrawn.

The legal proceedings arising out of an article in the "National Review," reflecting upon Lord Justice Fletcher Moulton, came to an end yesterday with an unqualified retraction on behalf of the editor, which was accepted.

Counsel for Mr. Maxse, the editor, said in the Court of Appeal that the editor stated he had no idea personally of this article, which was written by a practising barrister of some standing, in whom he thought he had a right to have confidence.

He now found that the facts were wholly misinterpreted by his contributor.

He wished to express his regret, and unreservedly to withdraw any imputations contained in the article. He was willing to pay the taxed costs of those who were obliged to come there.

LAST NIGHT'S NEWS ITEMS.

In consequence of the annoyance to persons in bed, the chimes of Croydon Town Hall clock are to be suspended each night from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.

The Garde Républicaine Band were loudly cheered on their departure yesterday morning from Victoria Station, on their way back to Paris.

At the Old Bailey yesterday, Henry Park, convicted of uttering a counterfeit shilling and being in possession of fourteen more, was sentenced to four years' penal servitude.

Edward L. Rodgers, a full-blooded Chippewa Indian, and captain of the Minnesota football team, is to be married to Miss Ballton, an English girl, living in the town of St. Paul.

A model man-of-war proceeding under its own steam, with three funnels and miniature guns, is the latest addition to the model craft sailed by enthusiasts on the Round Pond, Kensington Gardens.

Skilfully appealing to the loyal sentiments of Anglo-Indians, a Greek firm of Turkish cigarette-makers in Bombay and Calcutta has introduced the Prince of Wales cigarette, which they describe as the "richest" ever made.

The late Mr. Henry Edmund Gurney, last surviving partner of the famous discount house whose failure caused the financial panic of "Black Friday" in 1866, and a nephew of Elizabeth Fry, has left estate worth £31,463 3s. 5d.

A proposal of Marylebone Workhouse committee that forty able-bodied paupers should be emigrated to Canada at the expense of the rate-payers was yesterday rejected by the board of guardians.

Whitby, Yorks, yesterday increased its poor-rate from 8d. to 1s. Id. in the £.

Following a dispute at Boston, Lincs, between footballers named Allam and Woodward, the former was yesterday remanded on a charge of wounding the latter with a knife.

The authorities at Iowa, U.S.A., are gravely considering a Bill to keep honey bees from flying in the streets of towns, and arranging to penalise to be inflicted on beekeepers who allow their stock too much liberty.

Among the prisoners who applied at the Old Bailey yesterday for the free services of counsel under the Poor Prisoners' Defence Act was one who had pleaded guilty and another who pleaded as an excuse for committing robbery with violence that he was out of work.

The Thames Conservators yesterday definitely declined the County Council's application to place a bank of clay 800 ft. wide and 5ft. deep over the site of Rotherhithe Tunnel, as a protection for the workmen employed therein, since they had spent £50,000 in dredging the river for the benefit of trade.

THEATRES AND MUSIC-HALLS.

ALADDIN.—Lessee and Manager, Otto Stuart. LAST NIGHTS, TO-NIGHT, at 8.15, A.M. SUMMER NIGHTS DREAM. MATINEES, SATURDAYS, and SUNDAYS, at 2.15. Oscar Asche, Lily Brayton, and Elizabeth Parkins. Box-office (Mr. Terry), open 10 to 10. Tel. 2643. Gerard.

HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE.—Mr. TREE, TO-NIGHT and EVERY EVENING, at 8.30. By Stephen Phillips.

MATINEE EVERY WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY, 2.15. Box Office (Mr. Watts), 10 to 10. No fees. Tel. 1777. Gerhardt.

IMPERIAL.—LEWIS WALLER, TO-NIGHT and EVERY EVENING, at 8.15.

BRIGADIER GERARD.—By ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE. MATINEE WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS, at 2.30.

NEW ROYALTY.—THEATRE FRANCAIS. Director, Mr. Gaston Mayer.

LAST SIX PERFORMANCES OF THE SEASON. TG-MORROW (last time) at 8.30. GAIJAUX (at 8.30). MATINEE, Sat. next, at 2.30. SPECIAL production of CHAMPIGNOL MAGRE LUI, the most successful of the year. On Saturday evenings supported by an increased and distinguished company.

ST. JAMES. GEORGE ALEXANDER, TO-NIGHT, 8 sharp, in a New Comedy.

HIS HOUSE IN ORDER, by J. W. Pinero.

MATINEE EVERY WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY, at 2.

WALDORF.—Lessees, The Messrs. Shubert, Mr. CYRIL MAUDE and Miss WINIFRED EMERY.

TO-NIGHT and EVERY EVENING, at 8.30. SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER. MATINEE Every Wed. and Sat. at 2.30. Box-office (Mr. Terry), 10 to 10. Tel. 3535. Gerard.

WYNDHAM'S.—CHARLES WYNDHAM. Nightly, at 8.35. Matinees Saturday at 3. CAPTAIN DREW ON LEAVE, by H. H. Davies. Charles Wyndham, Marion Terry, and Mary Moore. At 8.30. The American Widow. Doors open at 8.

COLISEUM.—CHARING CROSS. THRICE DAILY, at 3 p.m., 6 p.m., and 9 p.m. SINGING SONGS, by JOHN ANTHONY and GENIE STRATTON, MABEL LOVE, M. B. MORAND, MADGE TEMPLE, MR. RICHARD GREEN, Mrs. BROWN-POTTER, MILDRED ALTON, "LA MASCOITE," etc. Prices from 6d. to 2 guineas.

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TRAMPS AND LOAFERS.

THE reason why we have got so far behind the times in England is not that Englishmen are incapable of making our institutions better. They are perfectly capable, if they would only set their minds to it. The trouble is that their minds are so slow in getting to work.

For years and years the increasing number of tramps and loafers who manage to exist in a shiftless way without doing any work has been a matter of complaint on the part of the few. The many, however, just complained and left the evil untouched. The remedies which the few suggested were waved aside as impracticable or "un-English" or too severe.

However, at last the sense of the community was awakened and a committee was appointed in July, 1904, to draw up a scheme for dealing with vagrancy. The members have taken their time, but their report, issued yesterday, is so good that one cannot complain of their slowness. It is a thorough-going proposal that the remedies upon which the few have been harping shall be as soon as possible put into effect.

The idea is to hustle the tramp. His life is to be made a burden to him. The community must refuse to support him in idleness any longer. He must be made to submit to the primal law: "He that will not work, neither shall he eat."

At the same time, every effort will be used (if the committee's proposals become law) to make things easier for the genuine seeker after work. He will no longer be detained in the casual ward, as he is under the present idiotic system, till it is too late in the day to get a job.

He will have a ticket given him so that he can pass on his way unmolested. He will be treated in the casual wards rather as a visitor than as a criminal. He will get supper, bed, and breakfast, and leave as early as he likes.

Thus a distinction will be made between the loafer who does not want to work and the honest man who does. The latter will be saved from becoming like the former, which he does at present in an appallingly short space of time. He will be enabled to keep his self-respect. He will feel that the community is his friend, and not his enemy. The tramp, on the other hand, will be taken by the scruff of the neck, confined in labour colonies, and made to work.

That this will have a good effect in lessening vagrancy can hardly be doubted. It will not, however, abolish it altogether. In the past we have tried to cure loafers by whipping, imprisoning, branding, ear-slitting, transporting, and even hanging them. We have not succeeded. Nor shall we ever succeed until we attack the disease from inside instead of from without.

When signs of smallpox appear on a man's skin the doctor does not try to scrape them off. He gives the patient medicine that will alter the internal conditions which produce the signs. That is the course we must pursue if we want to cure ourselves of tramps.

To begin with, we must get rid of the notion that it makes anyone happy to be idle. This debasing idea still has a firm hold on many minds. Those who are not obliged to work for their living are still objects of envy, instead of pity. To do nothing and be paid well for it has not yet ceased to be the popular ideal. Some people even think it would be "so nice to be a tramp," as if a life of objectless moving on could be anything but intolerably wearisome to a well-balanced mind.

Another thing we must do is to shut our purses to loafers. This we shall be better able to do when we can be sure that any man who begs in the street is a loafer. At present there is always a doubt. When we cease manufacturing paupers by doles and teach everyone to hate an idle life, then we shall cure vagrancy, but not before. H. H. F.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

In face of circumstances be like the rock against which the waves forever beat, but which stands itself immovable.—*Marcus Aurelius.*

THIS MORNING'S GOSSIP.

IT is difficult to believe that the centenary of the birth of Elizabeth Barrett Browning must be celebrated to-day. Certain parts of her work, it is true, have grown old-fashioned, and suggest the time of the crinoline. But the woman is still an unfaded figure in most people's minds—a woman essentially modern. That her memory is still so warm is due very much to the fact that her husband survived her so long, and made her the familiar matter of conversation with friends until his death.

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As to her poetry, it does not appear to be carefully read nowadays. Far less original and delicate than Christina Rossetti's, Mrs. Browning's verse is often repellent to readers who cannot endure her loose workmanship, her regrettable rhymes—such rhymes as "Cascine" with "green way"—or her use of archaisms like "cetes" in perfectly modern poems.

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Even during her lifetime, though she was at first a far more popular writer than her husband, she aroused learned critics to indignation. You remember Fitzgerald's indiscreet remark when he heard

"Men and Women," thought of turning from poetry to sculpture, much to Mrs. Browning's horror; the second when she became a convert to spiritualism and the arts of the medium Home (otherwise "Mr. Sludge"), which was much to Browning's disgust. For the rest, the devotion expressed in the "Sonnets from the Portuguese" (one of which is printed on this page), and on his part, in "One Word More" and the dedication to the "Ring and the Book," was a love which "was love till death—and, perchance, beyond."

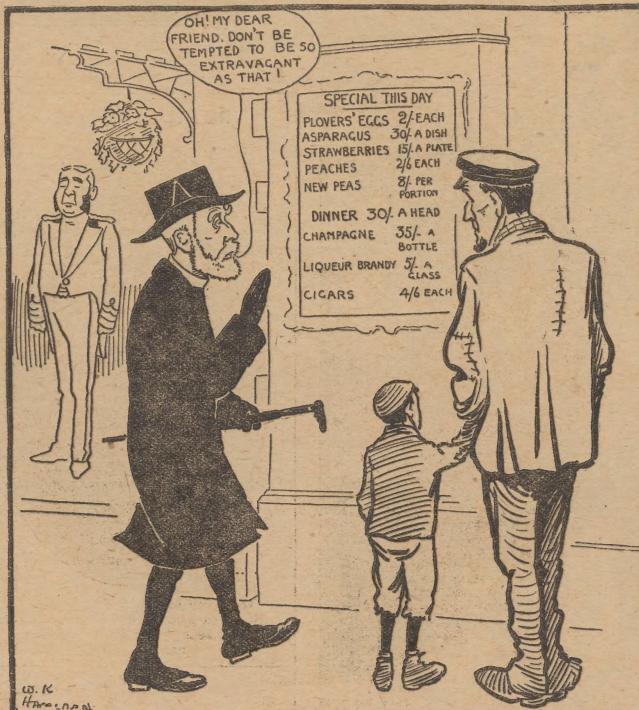
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Lent is certainly the season for lectures. Every day now, as the penitential season advances, the list of them seems to grow longer. Perhaps society takes them as a form of penitential and a change from novel and bridge. If they happen to be given one instance, is the case with those on Plato given by Dr. Emil Reich—so much the better. Plato, like his master, Socrates, took very little interest in women. That is probably why he is so intensely interesting to them.

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Anyhow, Dr. Reich is getting a great reputation as a feminist, simply by lecturing about a misogyrist, and Mrs. Crackenthorpe, who may almost be

THE BISHOP AND THE WAGE-EARNER.



The Bishop of Birmingham (Dr. Gore) has been preaching against extravagance, especially in food and drink. He said he knew this admonition was needed quite as much by the wage-earners as by the wealthy. One would scarcely have thought the wage-earner got much chance to be extravagant!

of her death: "Thank God! we shall have no more 'Aurora Leighs,'"—a remark which, needless to say, some kind friend repeated to Browning and drew forth from him a denunciatory sonnet about "Old Fitz."

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As a matter of fact, we very nearly escaped having any "Aurora Leigh" at all. The box which contained the MS. of the poem was lost during one of the Brownings' voyages from Italy to England. It was characteristic of Mrs. Browning's charming modesty that she was far more distressed about the loss of certain of her little son's childish suits of clothes than about the poem. The boy was ultimately discovered at Marseilles. "Pen," as she used to call the little boy, who comes so frequently into her letters, is, of course, still alive, and lived for some time in the Palazzo Rezzonico, where his father died, in Venice. He is never there now, however, and has no particular taste for the city of waters.

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The Browns—she ought not to leave them without once more pointing to the marvellous circumstance—had a perfectly happy marriage, the only instance of such a thing, one feels tempted to say, in the history of literary people. Only over two subjects did they have even a trifling disagreement. The first occasion was when Browning, disgusted at the comparative failure of

said to have started the last phase of the "new woman" movement by her article on "The Revolt of the Daughters" years ago, has, I see, lent her drawing-room for a lecture on "Women" to be given by him on March 17. Mrs. Crackenthorpe is the wife of the well-known lawyer, Mr. Montague Crackenthorpe. Her eldest son, Mr. Hubert Crackenthorpe, died, it may be remembered, under very tragic circumstances, a few years ago. He was a promising writer in the Maupassan manner, only was unable to survive the effects of the pessimism inherited from his master.

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In regard to lectures, one ought not to forget that there is an important one at the "Society of Arts" to-day by Sir Nevile Lubbock, the brother of Lord Avebury, who has been chairman of the West India Committee for more than twenty years. Sir Nevile is to be heard on "Imperial Questions in the West Indies." He is a universally recognised authority on trade questions as they affect that part of the world, and was one of the members of the Royal Commission appointed, in 1885, to investigate the causes of commercial depression. Other members were the late Lord Idlicleigh, Lord Dunraven (now a tariff reformer), and the Mr. Slater-Booth, about whom Lord Randolph Churchill made his unkind remark to the effect that mediocrity was indissolubly associated with double-barrelled names.

THROUGH THE "MIRROR."

THE MEGAPHONE MAN.

Noticing in your marvellous paper a photograph of New York's tripper wagons, I thought a little experience of mine would be worth relating.

I was a rider on one of these cars and the man with the megaphone, who does the descriptions of the buildings, was extremely funny (as all are, more or less) in his descriptions of the houses, their owners' histories, etc.

Well, one evening passing the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, the President, Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, drove up in his carriage. The man with the megaphone immediately bawled out:

"Ladies and gentlemen, allow me to introduce and point out to you the President of the United States. I sent him a note asking him to be present here, as I knew we should be passing by at this hour, and you see for yourselves how graciously he consented."

All this much to the amusement of Colonel Roosevelt, who bowed and raised his hat, to the delight of the bystanders. J. WARD.

Queen's-road, Dalston.

WICKED WASTE.

I notice that you give a picture of the destruction of £77,000 worth of United States stamps, which you rightly characterise as a "wasteful proceeding."

There is no need, however, to go so far afield for examples of this kind, as the London newspapers recently recorded an instance of our own Customs methods quite as bad, though the amount was not so large. I refer to the destruction of £700 worth of smuggled saccharine, which was taken out and dropped into the sea.

Surely, when the country is groaning under so much taxation, the stuff might have been sold, as confiscated goods are in other countries, and the proceeds paid into the revenue. I dare say instances of this kind are occurring daily or weekly at one or other of our numerous ports, and the value of the goods annually destroyed must be considerable.

J. D. Magdalene-street, Cambridge.

OLD-AGE PENSIONS.

"Ultra Common Sense" would have one believe that it is through "drinkers and smokers" that the present level of wages is kept up. He tries to prove this by saying that employers would naturally reduce wages where they found employees living at a cheaper rate—i.e., doing without beer, etc., and tobacco.

What does that argument say to the case of teetotal employees? Are their wages less than those of their fellow-workmen who "drink and smoke"? I guess the abstainer is much more valued of the two. The reason is found in Mr. Onion's words (*Daily Mirror*, March 3): "When a man leaves off being a drinking man he becomes a thinking man," and it is the "thinking" man that employers value. HERBERT MORRIS.

Maidstone.

WAKING UP THE LAW.

In connection with the subject of your leading article on Saturday, I have myself heard of a recent case in which a man, in the judicial branch of the Civil Service, known and acknowledged by his chiefs to be "utterly incompetent," was promoted to a first-class clerkship over the head of his senior, in order to induce that senior to resign his post to make room for a man with high judicial influence.

Even threats of personal violence were deliberately encouraged to produce the desired result. The matter, of course, ended by the favoured one being pitchforked into an appointment of £800 a year, the duties of which were recently performed by a third-class clerk!

Arundel-gardens, W.

A SONNET.

By Elizabeth Barrett Browning.

(Born March 6, 1806.)

If I leave all for thee, will thou exchange And be all to me? Shall I never miss Home-talk and blessing, and the common kiss That comes to each in turn, nor count it strange, When I look up, to drop on a new range Of walls and flowers . . . another home than this? Nay, will thou fill that place by me that is Fill'd by dead eyes, too tender to know change? That's hardest! If to conquer love, has tried, To conquer grief tries more, as all things prove; For grief, indeed, is love, and grief beside. Alas, I have grieved so I am hard to love— Yet love me—will thou? Open thine heart wide, And fold within the wet wings of thy dove.

IN MY GARDEN.

MARCH 5.—Several days of brilliant sunshine have brought out thousands of yellow crocuses. Dazzlingly beautiful they look edging long beds, completely covering grass banks and patches of rough turf. Round them numbers of bees gallily fly. Winter seems a season of the past.

Few people recognise the decorative value of large masses of crocus in bloom in early March. Without them the garden would to-day be almost bare of flowers, instead of being paved with colour. Daffodil time has also begun. The first bud has burst. From now until November the garden will be a place of lovely flowers.

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AN EXPERIMENT in FARMING



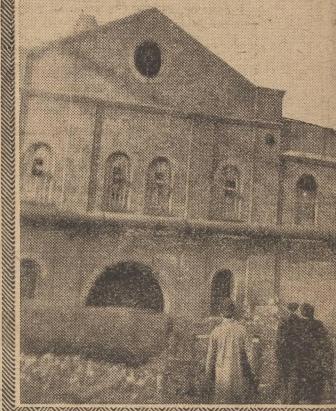
After the sudden death of Mr. Scott, of Brockwell Farm, Ellesborough, Mid-Bucks, his five daughters, all under thirty, determined to carry on the farm rather than break up their home. (1) Riding the farm horses home from work. (2 and 3) At the plough. The girls start work at five in the morning, and say they can get through as much work as an ordinary farm labourer. (4) Digging up cabbages in the garden. (5) Cutting hay from a rick built by the girls. (6) What time they can spare for amusement they spend in rabbit shooting. Inset shows afternoon tea while at work.

NEW NAVAL A.D.C. TO THE KING.



Captain Sir Charles Sawle, C.V.O., just appointed Naval A.D.C. to the King.—(Russell and Sons.)

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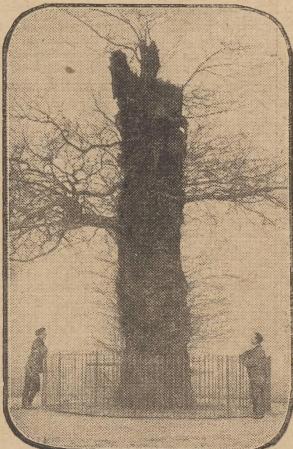


When the Hon. C. S. Rolls, son of Lord Llanga, Gas Works, which ended at Rainham, in Essex, collision with a chimney. His companions—
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GLADSTONE MEMORIAL

The King of Spain after a day's fishing and wild duck shooting at Catarroja, near Valencia. — (Underwood and Underwood.)

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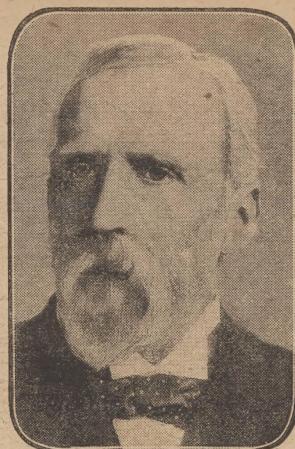
The above elm stood outside the entrance to the great exhibition in Hyde Park. It has just been cut down and sawn into blocks.



Just completed by Sir William Richmond, the Mrs. Gladstone is to be placed in Hawarden Ch when residing

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NEW CHAIRMAN
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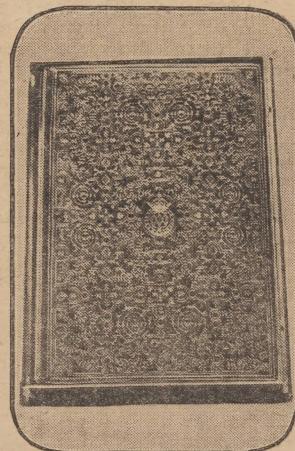
Mr. Evan Spicer, who will be chairman of the L.C.C. in succession to Sir Edwin Cornwall.—(Russell and Sons.)

BOY JOURNALIST'S TOUR.



Son of Mr. A. G. Hales, the war correspondent, Roy Hales, aged 14, working his way round the world to write articles for the "Boy's World."

RELIC OF QUEEN MARY.



After being twenty years on loan at the British Museum, "Queen Mary's Geography" has been returned to its owner.



The balloon ascent from Wandsworth above photograph, narrowly escaped a Mr. Lionel Samson, and Mr. Brittain

VARDEN CHURCH.



Memorial of Mr. W. E. Gladstone and Liberal leader always read the lessons

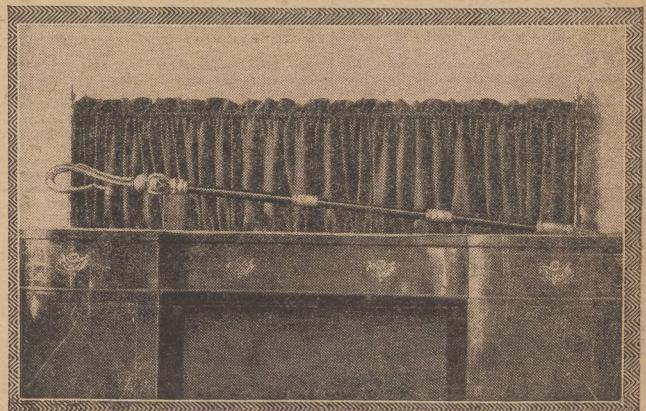
News by Camera

SPRING CROCUSES IN HYDE PARK.



Nowhere can be seen a finer show of crocuses than at Hyde Park, where they are grown not in formal beds, but on sloping turf-covered banks, which give parts of the Park quite a wild woodland appearance.

BISHOP OF LONDON'S NEW PASTORAL STAFF



Subscribed for by 400 Oxford undergraduates and presented to the Bishop of London, to show that his plain speaking about university convivial habits has not been resented by those to whom his remarks applied.

No. 23.—AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHERS' COMPETITION.



Amateur photographers are invited to send interesting news photographs to the *Daily Mirror*. For each one used 10s. 6d. will be paid, and every week a £2 2s. prize will be awarded to the sender of the picture adjudged by our readers to be the best. A voting coupon is to be found on page 4. No. 23, sent by Sergeant H. L. Caudle, 1st. Middlesex R.E.V., 19, Stratford-grove, Putney, shows a field observatory being raised at Glace-on-Sea camp by his regiment by means of a pair of sheer legs.

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By Right of Love.

By ALICE and CLAUDE ASKEW.

CHARACTERS IN THE STORY.

PAUL CHESTER, a clever, handsome young man, with great political ambitions.
LADY SUSAN CHESTER, his wife.
THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF BERKSHIRE, the coming Prime Minister and his beautiful wife.
RUPERT TEMPLE, the Duke's private secretary.
LORD ROBERT AYLMER, cousin to Lady Susan Chester, whom he loves.

CHAPTER XII.

Henrietta cast a long glance at Chester as soon as the gallery door had closed behind her cousin, then she dropped her eyes and inclined her head with a new and curious meekness.

"I wasn't too hard on him. He deserves to be sent away in disgrace—he dared to try and kiss me."

She addressed herself with innocent ingenuousness to the man, and he felt ashamed that he had doubted her or felt suspicious about her liking for himself, and mistrusted the dangerous smile and soft words that had been so lavishly bestowed on him during the past week—the week of his sojourn at Helmsworth. It was surely this woman's nature to lay herself out to charm people, but she did it with no evil intent. She was an enchantress, but she wove no spells designedly. Those people were wrong who said hard things about her and called her a cruel coquette. She was a woman of flame, and moths who fluttered too close singed their wings, but blame the moths for their heedlessness—not the woman.

He liked her for her sudden display of wifely pride—of offended dignity—better than he had ever done before. For though Henrietta had succeeded in enslaving his senses and exhorting a passionate admiration for her beauty, she had hitherto failed to touch his soul—but things were different now.

He had been suspicious of the relations between Henrietta and her cousin ever since the first moment that his eyes had rested on Rupert Temple—suspicious, but with no real cause to be, curiously jealous of the other man—not that he had understood the real feelings of his heart, for all that he was so oddly resentful of Temple's presence. But now that he had seen Henrietta draw back from her cousin's proffered kiss with so much real indignation, he felt his former suspicions had been wrong and that he had injured a pure woman in his thoughts. He turned to her, therefore—penitently—humbly—ready to implore her forgiveness for ever having allowed himself to believe ill of her—sure that she was as pure as snow.

"I saw you draw back—I saw you were furious with him," he murmured. "Oh, I don't wonder you are passionately angry, and find it hard to forgive the brute!"

He glanced at her downcast face, and forgot he was staring at a woman who had once nearly beaten her lap-dog to death on the King's high road—was openly neglectful of her only child, and had told a casual acquaintance like himself in the first hour of his arrival at Helmsworth, that a conscience was an impossible possession, and had owned to no love for her husband. Yes, and had even asked him whether he thought she would ever find love in the future—asked him with a strange subtle smile. But Paul Chester forgot everything now—all he could realise was that he had been mistaken in thinking Henrietta cared for her cousin.

"It has troubled me for so long," she raised big, plaintive eyes, "this foolish affection that Rupert gives me. But I've tried to make him see that I don't like it—try vainly. You do believe this—don't you?"

She turned timidly to Paul, and his heart began to beat with undying pride, for it was wonderful to think that Henrietta cared what opinion he had of her. She had laid by all her pride for the nonce—all her daring recklessness of manner, and he could have fallen at her feet because of this, and kissed her little shoulder.

"Believe you? Is it likely I wouldn't believe you?" he murmured. "I suppose the truth is, you're right." Temple lost his head—perhaps as other men have done before him."

She smiled, a faint, flickering smile, then blushed.

"I'm afraid you blame me a little—but it's not been my fault. I have never given my cousin any reason to think I cared for him—never." She said the lie with an air of absolute truth.

"I know that," Chester drew closer to her chair. "But, perhaps, he thinks your married life is not a wholly happy one." He went on gently, "Temple may fancy the Duke too wrapped up in affairs of state to make the devoted husband he would. You seem to live to yourself so much, though I know you are a loyal wife."

He broke off his speech hurriedly—afraid he had been overbold, for she had turned her head and was looking at him strangely.

"Yes—Rupert may have guessed how lonely my life really is," she whispered, "for I'm more a comrade to the Duke than a woman—he's too self-centred to be anything but a cold husband. But that doesn't permit my cousin to make dishonourable love to me."

She clothed herself with virtue, then cast a long and languishing glance at the man who stood by her side, and how was Paul Chester to decide which

was real—the pose Henrietta had taken up of the virtuous wife, or the look she had just given him? His brain swam—he could not understand this complex and baffling creature—he wondered if he ever should. Perhaps, he reflected, she did not really understand herself, or the varying moods which prompted those peculiar fluctuations of temperament on her part, with which he was now becoming acquainted.

"I think I must go to my room," Henrietta observed after a slight pause. "I feel quite upset—rather faint. I am sorry for Rupert," she added with a faint smile, "for I have tried my hardest to help him out. He threw up a good appointment in India out of sheer pique, you know, and jilted such a charming girl."

She swept slowly up the gallery as she spoke, her white dress rustling as she walked. Then as she reached the door, she turned her head and addressed Chester over her shoulder.

"Why didn't you come to the gallery at twelve as we had arranged?" she asked. "I was going to tell you the story of some of the more interesting of the family portraits. Did you forget?"

He bent his head and made no answer in words, but the expression in his eyes told the woman that he had not forgotten—he had stayed away on purpose—and she realised with a sudden rush of exhilarating triumph that he feared to be too much alone with her, his rigid virtue was to the fore.

She smiled as she closed the gallery door. She had seen little enough of Chester during the past week, for a big house party had only just dispersed, and naturally she had to devote her time to the more important guests. But she had managed to throw the strong spell of her personality over the man all the same, and to arrange that, though only one of a group, he should be constantly by her side.

She had said good-bye to the departing guests with unfeigned relief the day before, and had been looking forward to a quiet two days with the man in whom she took so strong an interest before the next relay of visitors came down to Helmsworth. For Henrietta had a very definite aim and object in front.

She desired—with all her heart, with all her soul—to effect the conquest of the man who had once humiliated and rebuked her, and this before he left Helmsworth. She wanted him to kneel at her feet, so for this reason she had asked Chester to extend his visit from a week to a fortnight, so that she might humble his strength and break his pride, and she trusted to her beauty, which had never failed her yet, to do this for her, forgetting, as many a woman has forgotten and remembered afterwards to her cost, that in a battle between a man and a woman it is not always the woman who wins.

The man occasionally proves himself the stronger—the conqueror—for occasionally a woman's heart has been known to go over to the enemy and she is betrayed by herself. Also, had this woman taken the trouble to analyse her own emotions she would have realised that the feeling Paul Chester inspired in her strong and undisciplined nature was not precisely that of hatred.

Henrietta smiled as she shut the gallery door, but the man who stood by her vacated chair gazed after her with bent and frowning brow.

CHAPTER XIII.

Chester, left alone in the gallery, took an impatient turn up and down, wondering over the scene which had just passed.

Much had happened during his stay at Helmsworth, but more he felt was to come, and he was not sure of his position—why he had been asked there—or the rôle he was intended to play.

For all the kindness which Henrietta had shown him, and the very real interest she seemed to take in his affairs, he could not avoid a certain sense of mistrust. There were moments when he doubted that this friendship on her part meant, or if she had really forgiven him for tearing her dog from her on the highway.

The Duke had proved himself a courteous host, and had even gone so far as to promise Chester his help and support in the days ahead, telling the young man he believed he had a future in front of him, and that he was glad to reckon him as a member of his own party.

Chester must be given a safe seat at the next election, he said, and his voice was heard in the House next year. Oh, no one could have been more suave and gracious than his Grace of Berkshire. But the recipient of his princely favour felt the whole time that the Duke would have done as much for anyone else—that is, anyone recommended to his notice by the Duchesses.

Again, the Duke's relationship with his wife had proved Chester. There was no doubt that in matters political she made him a loyal and devoted ally, also that their aims and ambitions were one, but the pair seemed to have no real affection for each other—nothing of the tender intimacy of the true husband and wife. Again, it struck Chester as curious to observe the Duke's pedantic coldness towards a woman whose beauty was enough to have maddened any man to a wild riot of the senses, and yet her glorious loveliness seemed to have no effect upon her husband. His eyes never

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THE MONEY MARKET.

Paris Reported To Be Selling South African Shares.

NEW YORK WEAKNESS.

CAPITAL COURT, Monday Evening.—There is a tendency towards flatness again on the Stock Exchange. Everybody is gloomy, in spite of the numerous good points. We may enumerate some of the latter as they have developed to-day. First, there was a morning tendency for Kaffirs to recover. Unfortunately it was lost. Secondly, there is undoubtedly a strong array of good monetary points. For instance, the Bank is said to be securing over £500,000 of gold this week. Moreover, money is very cheap to-day. The tendency is for rates to run off.

But there is also the array of adverse points. For instance, both Amsterdam and Paris were in the afternoon reported to be liquidating, chiefly in Kaffirs. Anyhow, all Paris favourites were lower, including the Foreign group, and a certain amount of nervousness was shown about Morocco Conference developments. Then, a failure in Amsterdam was reported. In the next place we had the New York Stock Exchange showing decided weakness, and here again it was the same story of liquidation. Stock has to find a home, and we are now discussing the possibilities of further failures at our coming Settlement. It will be satisfactory when Friday is reached and we know the worst.

CONSOLS CLOSE UNALTERED.

At first Consols were very good, and in the ordinary way they ought to have remained good, for there is a good deal of confidence about money, and the further influx of gold into the Bank to-day was liked. But they lost all their earlier rise, and closed unaltered at 90½.

Home Rails at first looked as though they meant to go better, but circumstances were too many for them, and the best that could be said was that they closed unchanged for the most part. But the Scottish group was flat, for here there are fears about to-morrow's Caledonian dividend being a bad one, and the talk of possible labour difficulty on the Clyde. So far as the Monday traffics are concerned the Brighton came up with a very good increase, which seems to show that the passenger lines are now beginning to score a bit.

FOREIGN RAILS HEAVY.

We have referred above to the liquidation in Americans, which market was nearing a panicky condition at the close. There also seemed to be a sharpish profit-taking movement in Canadian Rails after a good opening, and the rush caused serious flatness. The Canadian Pacific traffic made a splendid showing, with its 261,000 increase. In Argentina they seem to be talking about some of the districts having suffered unduly from floods and rust among the wheat. It is the reason, for instance, why Entre Rios descriptions were being sold, and no doubt explained the dull tone of Argentine Rails.

As regards other groups, Brazilian rails are heavy, for the San Paulo dividend is said to be only the same as last year, and, as there is a plentiful "bull" account open, here again there was profit-taking. In fact, if we except the Mexican group, Foreign rails were rather decidedly heavy all round.

COPPER SHARES DEPRESSED.

Copper shares were rather depressed. There is, of course, nothing the matter with the copper position, but when Paris was inclined to sell its favourites in the afternoon, it naturally upset calculations. And so it was with most of the leading Foreign favourites, while Japanese and Russians were also dull. Uruguays were sold because of the revolution.

As regards Kaffirs, the improvement of Saturday was continued, for the "bears" were still inclined to sell. Very soon, however, there came more liquidation, in which the Continent took part, and the close was very depressed. The preliminary carry-over to-day had shown us that the account open is small and inexpensive to finance, but everybody is talking of trouble, and making the most of it. And the bad Geduld assay results were not liked. Oddly enough, other mining sections had little wrong with them.

The Nitrate group was better, and the best feature in the Miscellaneous lot. Evidently it is believed that the combination will be arranged after all.

BARONESS STANLEY'S ESTATE.

In the Probate Court yesterday Sir Gorrell Barnes appointed a Mr. Horsley to be administrator of the estate of the late Baroness Stanley of Alderley, who died in May, 1905, leaving real and personal property to a considerable amount in Geneva, Spain, and Alderley Edge, Cheshire.

WATER FAR PURER THAN MILK.

"No water company would be allowed to supply water containing anything like the proportion of dirty foreign matter present in the average supply of milk," says the Kingston-on-Thames medical officer in his annual report issued yesterday.

CHILDREN'S DANCING COMPETITION.



At the Lyceum a dancing competition for children is taking place this week.
Above photographs show the children practising.

BY RIGHT OF LOVE.

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kindled as he gazed at her. Perhaps he thought it beneath his pompous dignity to display the least human emotion, or was of too sleepy and sluggish a temperament to make anything but a cold hush.

Chester also remembered—he couldn't help remembering—how Henrietta had spoken about the Duke on the day of his arrival at Helmsworth.

But why had she confided in him—why, and for what purpose? That was the question to which he could find no answer, any more than to her real motive in inviting him to stay at Helmsworth.

He knew that the old man the household chaplain, Father Joseph Pendegast, had his own opinion on the subject. He had read as much in the priest's eyes in the hour of their first introduction to each other—noticed a certain gleaming seen.

Father Joseph had put Chester down in his own mind—there was little doubt of that—as a man favoured by the Duchess because he happened to please her fancy—her eye. A man who had deliberately chosen to make political capital out of this woman's chance liking, and to enroll himself in the long list of Henrietta's admirers—the men she laughed and danced with, tossed on one side, or talked to, lowered and affluence.

But this was not true. Father Joseph, that stern Anglican celibate priest, was wrong. Henrietta did not want anyone to make love to her, of that Chester felt assured. At least he tried to make himself think so. It was not her fault if men pressed their homage upon her, and as to himself—that she could like him was absurd. What was there about him to attract the beautiful Duchess? A man with a strong chin, who had been married for his money—and had never been loved by a woman in all his life—he could afford to laugh at the chaplain's suspicions. No, it was simply because he interested her politically that Henrietta had taken up a humble individual like Paul Chester.

So he told himself a dozen times a day, but there were moments—strange blinding moments—when he hardly knew what to think. For it was always by accident that the Duchess's hand touched his if they were playing cards, and what did the sudden glances mean which she sometimes gave him right across a crowded room—glances which set his heart beating?

She had also made a point of having Vivienne with her since he had remonstrated about her treatment of her child, and he felt she was doing this to please him. Even during the great week-end house-party Vivienne had been a good deal on evidence—brought forward, caressed, petted—and

when the child came into the drawing-room at tea time, or made her appearance at dessert, Henrietta would smile at Chester as much as to say, "See how I am trying to please you—see."

It was all very baffling, very confusing. Also, he was aware that Rupert Temple regarded him in the same light as Father Joseph did, and of Temple, too, he had his suspicions. For it was easy enough to see that the secretary loved the Duchess. But did the Duchess love the secretary, had she ever loved him?

He had been thinking over matters as he walked up and down the terrace that morning, not forgetting in the least that she had asked him to meet her in the gallery at twelve, fully intending to keep the tryst. But as he walked in the open the chill November air seemed to blow the cobwebs from his brain, and a sudden knowledge of the true state of things came upon him. He was drifting into love. This woman, whom he had begun by disliking, had succeeded in conquering the repugnance with which she had first inspired him, and he knew now that, were her sins as scarlet, she would still be an empress to him. And he also realised—his own heart told him—that it was not to talk politics or to discuss his future career that Henrietta had bid him meet her in the big, lonely gallery.

He had summoned him to her side so that he might have an opportunity of whispering dangerous words into her ear—words which it were not good that a man should speak to his neighbour's wife.

He had made his way to the gallery in this strong, purposeful mood, but all that had happened there had made him alter his opinion of Henrietta. She had shown herself in the light of such a loyal wife, such an outraged young matron, that he felt all his former suspicions of her with regard to himself to have been wrong and immeasurably vile.

He deserved a horse-whipping, so he told himself, for having dared to imagine that the Duchess had ever sought to entice him into loving her—with the idea of some subtle scheme of revenge or because she really happened to like him.

"Thank God I am a strong man," he murmured, "strong enough to crush down such an unworthy passion and nip it in the bud. I needn't be afraid. I might have been with reason, though, if Henrietta had been the temptress I began to consider her," so he muttered in low, hoarse tones. "But, as it is, now I know her to be a true and honourable woman, I needn't be afraid either for her or for myself."

As he murmured the words, the gallery door opened softly and Rupert Temple stood in.

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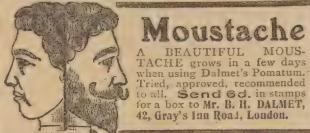
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butter in a stewpan, place the carrots in it, and fry them until they are a golden brown, then add to the quarter of a pint of the stock. Lay a piece of greased paper across the top of the carrots, put the lid on the pan, and let them cook gently at the side of the fire for an hour or more, until they are tender. As the stock boils away add more until the pint is used. When the carrots are tender put them in a hot dish. Season the gravy carefully with salt and pepper; it should look like thick glaze, but if it is too thick add a little more stock to it and strain it over the carrots.

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Mix the flour and salt together, beat up the yolks, add the milk, then stir these smoothly into the flour. Beat the batter well, then leave it for half an hour. Meanwhile wash the cauliflower carefully, and boil it until it is tender in plenty of boiling salted water. Now drain off the water and break it carefully into large sprays. Whisk the white of the egg very stiffly, and add it to the batter, stirring it very lightly in. Have ready a



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Now add half the cheese, grated, and salt and pepper to taste. Pour this sauce over the seakale and sprinkle over it the rest of the grated cheese. Put the dish in the oven until the top is nicely browned, and serve it quickly.

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INGREDIENTS.—Two bunches of young carrots, two ounces of butter, one pint of brown stock.

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Wash and peel the artichokes, trimming them into neat, even shapes, and as each is peeled drop it into some cold water.

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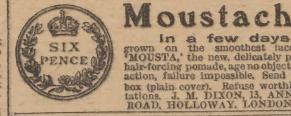
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